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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD
COMMITTEE ON IMAGERY REQUIREMENTS AND EXPLOITATION

Office of the Chairman

13 March 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, National Reconnaissance
Office Staff

SUBJECT : Scheduling of CORONA Mission 1117

REFERENCE : COMIREX-M-146, Section V, paragraphs 1-6

1. COMIREX has reviewed the planning considerations presented by the NRO consultant at the Committee's 17 February meeting (reference) and forwards the following guidance on the NRO proposal to schedule the last CORONA vehicle (Mission 1117) in the May-June 1972 time frame, with tentative launch date of 12 May.

2. The community has identified no critical requirement for KH-4 search coverage in June for which it would recommend holding Mission 1117 in reserve [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] COMIREX, therefore, concurs in the projected scheduling of Mission 1117 for launch on or about 12 May 1972, in consideration of the various NRO operational factors and alternatives noted in reference.

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4. Planning for Mission 1117 should be implemented through the established NRO/COMIREX procedures and channels,

NRO review(s) completed.

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and community guidance will take account of its somewhat special status. At present it is planned to employ Mission 1117 primarily against unsatisfied MC&G requirements, with a portion of the mission dedicated to priority intelligence requirements as may exist at the time.

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